

OMBUDSMAN CORNER

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Welcome New Coastie Families

Welcome to Air Station Atlantic City!

ASAC is the largest MH65 coast guard air station, home to 10 aircraft, 279 personnel and 172 families.

It is also the only air station that is a day trip to NYC, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington, D.C. In Atlantic City you'll find great concerts and events year round and to the west you'll find farms for picking fresh fruits, vegetables, and several wineries. Further west or up North you'll find some great areas for skiing and camping.

Let's not forget, closer to home, the beaches and board-

walks that line the coast and there are museums, aquariums and even a rodeo, too!

There's something for everyone in the Mid Atlantic states so while you're stationed here at ASAC I hope you'll explore and enjoy all it has to offer.

Find out about local events going on in your area by visiting our webpage and clicking on the links for the different townships.

If you're looking for information about day trips you can go to:

www.visitnj.org

www.secnymwr.com

www.philadelphiausa.travel



Meet Your New Ombudsman

Hi Air Station Atlantic City Spouses,

My name is Krystle Bucciarelli and I am the new Ombudsman. I have been part of the Coast Guard family for seven years and besides being a Coast Guard spouse and I am the

mother of a very energetic little boy .

Our previous Ombudsman and recent command have made great strides in trying to create a support network for the families at this very large and very busy station.

My hope is to maintain all their hard work and continue providing ASAC families with access to information on events and resources.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

MWR Events



OCT 26th 5-8pm: Haunted Hangar

This season marks the 6th year for the Haunted Hangar at ASAC. All ASAC, FAA, 177th Air National Guard personnel and their families gather for a night of frights and delights. Besides the haunted house there is face painting, bounce houses, games and food. Don't forget to bring a pumpkin to decorate and wear your costumes to compete in the cos-

tume contest! Please send RSVP's to cghaunt@gmail.com

If you are interested in volunteering to either scare in the haunted house or help with the games, please contact LT Bucciarelli at dominic.n.bucciarelli@uscg.mil

DEC : Children's Christmas Party

Santa's flying in to ASAC to make sure everyone's been good this year! MWR is work-

ing with Santa's elves to set a date, please check your emails and the Facebook page for more details in the near future.

Adult Holiday Party

Come enjoy a night of holiday merriment with other ASAC members and their spouses. Date and Location have yet to be announced. Please check your emails and Facebook page for more details in the near future.

Events in the Community

Go to our webpage for links to the local towns and a more detailed list of events in your area.

Here's a list of just a few local events going on:

For corn mazes and pumpkin picking:

www.pumpkinpatchesandmore.org/NJsepumpkins.php

OCTOBER:

6-7 Oktoberfest, Historic Smithville

12-14: Pumpkin Festival, Atlantic County Fairgrounds
www.sjpumpkinshow.com

NOVEMBER:

3 Pumpkin Run Car Show, Flemings

www.flemingshows.com

23-Jan 6 Holiday Light Show, Historic Smithville

DECEMBER:

Every Weekend Magic Talking Christmas Tree, Christmas Train, and Story time with Mrs. Claus, Historic Smithville

Watch the free local paper, 'The Current' for a detailed listing of events.

Preparing for Elections



Tuesday, November 6 is the Presidential Election.

Make your vote count by making sure you are registered in New Jersey or have requested your absentee ballot.

For Absentee Ballots:

You can go to www.fvap.gov

and be linked to the voting website for the county in which you are registered or your legal state of residence.

For New Jersey Voters:

<http://www.state.nj.us/state/elections/voting-information.html>

In NJ you must register at least 21 days prior to an election.

Air Station Atlantic City Babysitters

PCSing presents many challenges for families. One of those is finding a new babysitter. Here is a list of Coast Guard spouses and kids who babysit. If you know anyone

who would like to be added to this list please contact Krystle Bucciarelli at ombu-dasac@hotmail.com or 978-855-1251.



| Name | Age | Phone | Email | City | Certifications / References |
|----------------|-----|------------------|--|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Alana Miskovic | 12 | (C) 609-579-6494 | muy-frio3@hotmail.com | Mays Landing | Safe Sitter Certification |
| Kaitlyn Doria | 14 | (C)251-281-3454 | lesa-doria@hotmail.com | Absecon | Safe Sitter Certification |
| Madelyn Doria | 12 | (C) 251-281-3454 | lesa-doria@hotmail.com | Absecon | Safe Sitter Certification |
| Kayla Curry | 27 | (C) 817-797-6252 | Kay-laa1984@yahoo.com | Mays Landing | LPN, CPR Cert |

Ways to save in the Garden State

Depending on where you have PCS'd from, New Jersey can leave you in shock at the cost of everyday items.

ASAC has compiled a Military Discount list to help keep you informed on where you can get discounts in the area. This list can be found on the Ombudsman website, <http://uscg.mil/>

d5/airstaAtlanticCity/ombudsman.asp

You can also go to www.bluestarfam.org for a list of museums that provide either discounted or free admission for military.

If you're looking to save on vacation you can look at <http://www.amc.af.mil/>

amctravel/index.asp for information on flying Space A and www.afvclub.com for discounted vacations.

Did You Know?

Shoprite gives you 5¢ for every reusable bag you use when bagging your groceries.

Staying Connected

Air Station Atlantic City is a busy air station and often members miss or forget to inform their spouses of all the events going on at the air station. This can lead to families feeling disconnected and unsupported. The solution is to get connected.

There are several ways to stay connected at ASAC. First, through the Ombudsman who will be sending out email notifications for all morale events and the Ombudsman webpage, which has "The Bud-list" (ASAC's own craigslist), important links for spouses and links to the local town-

ships.

There's also the spouse's Facebook page, a great place to ask questions about the area and find out about play dates, nights out and other get gatherings. It is closed page, so friend me and I'll add you to the page.



Did You Know?

Coast Guard Support is free. They offer confidential counseling services for the health and wellness of our Coast Guard family. On their website you will find information on subjects which effect everyday life including education on bullying behavior, money management solutions, and how September is Suicide Prevention Month.
<http://www.cgsuprt.com/>
1-855-CGSUPRT (247-8778)

Check It Out...

Here are just some fun or informative websites:

CG Spouses Sites:

<http://coastiechicks.net/homeportmerocklandretiredchick.html>

<http://coastiechicks.net/CoastGuardSeaLegs.pdf>

<http://coastie-wifey-lifey.blogspot.com/>

Military Spouse Sites:

<http://jennyspouse.com>

www.cinchouse.com

Military Spouse Education

<http://www.militaryfamily.org/get-info/spouse-education/>

Layette Program:

Welcome Gift for baby, containing a receiving blanket, outfits and other items for a newborn child) to the families of junior members of the Coast Guard community when they have, or adopt a child. This is for E-6 and below, as well as O-1's for up to 6 months after the baby is born.

<http://www.cgmahq.org/Programs/lay.html>